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SUBJ: CIVAIR: RTG DISAPPROVES PAA FARE

REF: BANGKOK 1432

1. PAA REP INFORMED EMBASSY APRIL 12 THAT, UNDER INSTRUCTIONS FROM PAA NEW YORK, LOCAL OFFICE INTENDS TO CONTINUE SELLING NEW FARE FOR POINT-TO-POINT RAVEL INTRODUCED IN JANUARY AND DISAPPROVED BY RTG APRIL 8. PAA NEW YORK REPORTEDLY TOLD LOCAL REP THAT RESOLUTION OF ARE ISSUE "IS MATTER BETWEEN GOVERNMENTS."

2. PAA HAS NOT ADVERTISED NEW FARE, AND DOES NOT INTEND TO DO SO. INSTEAD, COMPANY HAS SIMPLY INFORMED TRAVEL AGENTS (AND EMBASSY TRAVEL SECTION) THAT ARE IS AVAILABLE. HOWEVER, SELLING THIS FARE UNDER AEGIS OF GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT AGREEMENT, EVEN ON FOREGOING TERMS, IN DEFIANCE OF RTG DISAPPROVAL SEEMS TO US WRONG, AND HIGHLY VULNERABLE, WAY TO APPROACH PROBLEM, ESPECIALLY AT TIME WHEN WE WILL BE FACED WITH TASK OF ESTABLISHING RELATIONSHIP WITH NEW GOVERNMENT.

3. PAA REP WILL ON APRIL 14 DELIVER COPY OF LETTER DISAPPROVING FARE (APRIL 13 IS HOLIDAY), AND WE SUGGEST,
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DEPENDING ON LANGUAGE OF LETTER, THAT EMBASSY THEN SEEK

DEPARTMENT OF AVIATION EXPLANATION FOR DISAPPROVAL. NEXT
STEP PRESUMABLY WOULD BE TO MAKE DEMARCHE AT HIGHER
LEVEL IN MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS OR MFA IN SUPPORT
OF PAA FARE. WE SHOULD, HOWEVER, AVOID CALLING FOR
CONSULTATIONS SINCE RTG WOULD INEVITABLY SEEK TO INJECT
ROUTE ISSUES, AND INDEED MAY HAVE DISAPPROVED FARE WITH
THAT POTENTIAL LINKAGE ALREADY IN MIND. PLEASE ADVISE.
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